



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

**Shingo KATO et al**

Conf. No.: **4572**

Appln. No.: **10/009,897**

Group Art Unit: **1655**

Filed: **December 14, 2001**

Examiner: **Unknown**

For: **METHOD FOR DETERMINING HIV-1 SUBTYPE**

**STATUS INQUIRY**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This application has been pending for almost 2 years. A Telephonic Restriction Requirement was issued and responded to over six (6) months ago.

Thus, the undersigned respectfully requests to be advised of the status of the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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